



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Paolo COLOMBO ET AL. - 3 PCT  
SERIAL NO.: 10/593,861 EXAMINER: S. R. GUIDBANDE  
FILED: SEPTEMBER 22, 2006 GROUP: 1654  
TITLE: INSULIN HIGHLY RESPIRABLE MICROPARTICLES

PETITION UNDER RULE 136(a) AND RULE 17(a)(3)

**MAIL STOP: AMENDMENT**

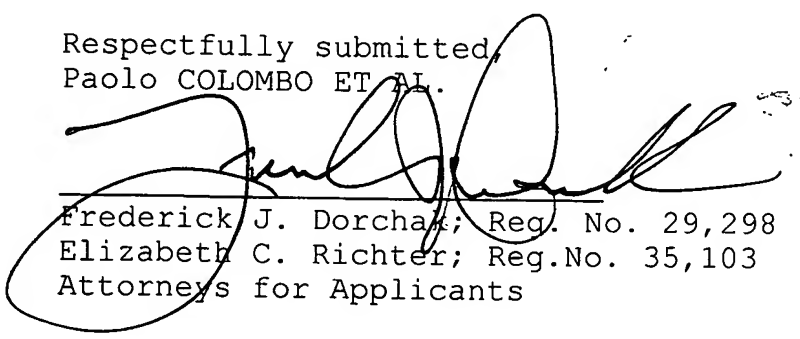
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 14, 2008, for three months from January 14, 2009 to April 14, 2009. A check in the amount of \$555.00, covering the fee for a three-month extension for a Small Entity is enclosed herewith. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to deposit Account No. 03-2468.

Respectfully submitted,  
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